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Dear Sir:

The following is my report on conditions in Yellowstone National Park, and on the activities of the National Park Service, for the month of April, 1926:

000 - General

When our report for the month of March was written the park was still experiencing stormy weather but this condition did not last long and when it ended another period of unusually mild weather began and continued until the end of the month. This mild weather, even excessively warm at times, melted the snow in all sections of the park, and by the end of the month all of the roads except those crossing the Continental Divide and the high passes were available for auto traffic. An automobile went through from Old Faithful to West Yellowstone on April 17th. The Tower Falls road continued open throughout the month. In fact this road has been open all winter. We did not permit the snow in the Golden Gate to be shoveled from the road until May 1st but on that date crews went through to Grand Canyon with little difficulty. As this report is written both the east and west side road systems, with the exception of the road over the Continental Divide and through Dunraven Pass are open for traffic. The disappearance of snow in the timber has already created a fire hazard which must be watched carefully. Forest fires have been burning in western Montana and in the northern part of the State since the middle of April. As predicted several months ago, unless the summer is unusually wet the forest fire menace to Yellowstone Park will be greater than any year since 1919. It is likely that this will be one of the worst forest fire years in the history of the park unless the park organization is 100% efficient in every activity, and we hope that such efficiency will prevail. Furthermore, as this report is written the park is ready three weeks to a month earlier than usual to enter upon summer activity and it is likely that by May 15 campers can be admitted.

110 - Status of Work

During the month of April the park organization continued its regular winter and spring patrols through the Protection Department, and the other departments were engaged in repair of buildings and equipment. Construction work was confined almost entirely to work on the new engineering quarters. A beginning was made in the repair of roads as described elsewhere and other road and improvement work was undertaken in the neighborhood of Mammoth Hot Springs. A construction crew was also sent out during the latter part of the month to improve the branch road into the Petrified Trees, 1 mile east of Tower Falls Junction. This crew will also make other improvements on the Tower Falls-Mammoth road which were contemplated under Project #9 of the Yellowstone Park road improvement budget. All the routine work of the park both in the office and outside of headquarters and in other parts of the park was current, or nearly so.

120 - Park Inspections by the Superintendent

I was on duty in the park only during the first 19 days of the month. On April 17 I was ordered to Washington, and left here on the 19th. I did not return until May 3rd. As all of the roads in the park, with the exception of the Tower Falls road, were closed and as there was no activity away from headquarters requiring my attention, I was around headquarters most of the time while in the park. As stated in my report for the month of March, I was in Cody on April 1st on my way back from a publicity meeting at Casper. I returned to Livingston on April 2nd and reached the park that night. Until the 19th I was in and around headquarters continuously, making occasional trips to Gardiner for inspection of work going on in the hay fields there and for contact with the officials of the Yellowstone Park Transportation Company at their Gardiner plant. I spent much time at headquarters laying out work for the spring and camp ground improvement, landscaping of headquarters grounds, supervision of work being carried on by the Yellowstone Park Camps Company, etc. Mention of my Washington trip is made elsewhere in this report. During my absence from the park, Supervisor E. A. Eckman was Acting Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent Hill also being absent from April 19th until the end of the month on account of illness. Mr. Eckman was on duty at headquarters during this period but made one trip to the Buffalo Ranch.

125 - Inspections by Other Governmental Officers

Mr. J. G. Teicher, District Secretary of the 13th Civil Service District, at Denver, Colo., visited headquarters on inspection of Civil Service activities, arriving Sunday, April 11th, and leaving on the 12th. On the 11th he conferred with Acting Chief Civil Engineer Bert H. Burrell and with Superintendent Albright. On the morning of

the 12th he conducted a conference with the members of the local Civil Service Board, giving the Board instructions as to how to announce and conduct examinations and how to perform other duties purely within the province of the local board. Mr. Teicher's visit was very helpful and much appreciated.

130 - Finance and Accounts

Status of Appropriations

The total appropriations available to Yellowstone National Park for the current fiscal year is \$509,500.00. There is a reserve set up against these appropriations of \$12,920, leaving a balance available for expenditure in the park of \$496,580. At the close of April 30, 1926, the status of these combined appropriations was as follows:

Voucher Record Payments	\$393,430.28
Book Liabilities	27,905.14
Team Hire	152.00
Meals to April 30, 1926	150.00
Telephone & Telegraph	190.04
Salaries & Wages Unpaid to Apr. 30, 1926	2,897.67
Freight and Express	2,049.01
Total expended and obligated.....	\$426,774.14
Balance (unexpended and unobligated).....	68,505.86

As to the condition of the allotments the total funds allotted to April 30, 1926, was \$495,280.00. The total expended and obligated to April 30, 1926, is \$426,774.15. The balance in the allotments at the end of April was \$68,505.86.

APPROPRIATION: 4⁵436 ROADS & TRAILS, NATL. PARKS, 1925-26.

	<u>Allotments</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Previously reported	\$108,000.00	\$68,249.07	\$39,750.93
Expended during April		7,891.47	-7,891.47
	<u>\$108,000.00</u>	<u>\$76,140.54</u>	<u>\$31,859.46</u>

APPROPRIATION: 4⁵433 YELLOWSTONE NATL. PARK, 1925-26

Previously reported	\$ 31,497.00	\$31,217.40	\$ 279.60
Expended during April		279.60	279.60
	<u>\$ 31,497.00</u>	<u>\$31,497.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>

APPROPRIATION 4⁵406 INSECT INFESTATION, N.P.S., 1925-26.

Previously reported	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 4,398.80	\$ 1,101.20
Expended during April		503.72	503.72
	<u>\$ 5,500.00</u>	<u>\$ 4,902.52</u>	<u>\$ 597.48</u>

APPROPRIATION: 46433 YELLOWSTONE NATL. PARK, 1926

Previously reported	\$351,583.00	\$266,004.51	\$ 85,578.49
Expended during April		16,185.71	16,185.71
	<u>\$351,583.00</u>	<u>\$282,190.22</u>	<u>\$ 69,392.78</u>

- Indicates red figure.

REVENUES

The report of revenues is attached hereto as Schedule #4.

140 - Labor Situation

The labor situation becomes interesting again at this period of the year because we are already recruiting crews. So far no difficulty whatever has been experienced in employing good labor and securing teams at reasonable rates. However, we have had difficulty in securing competent skilled laborers, particularly carpenters. We expect to be able to secure all of the labor we need this year, both skilled and unskilled, at about the same rates of pay that were in effect last year. It is likely that we will increase the rate of pay of motor truck sprinkler drivers in order to secure men that will take more interest in their work and keep their trucks in better repair.

150 - Equipment and Supplies

Employees of the transportation department were engaged during the month in hauling freight, express, market supplies and gas from Gardiner to Mammoth (a total of 154,755¹/₂ were hauled); hauling supplies and lumber to engineer buildings now being remodelled, hauling wood to auto camp at Mammoth, transporting supplies from blacksmith shop to storehouse, hauling 30,450¹/₂ cement to the place where culvert is to be built, etc. Approximately 800 miles were traveled during the month.

Employees of the storehouse and commissary were engaged during the month in receiving and storing supplies, issuing supplies, lumber and tools, moving supplies from blacksmith shop to storehouse and storing same, repairing equipment (rakes, hammers, picks, etc.), building shelves for hospital equipment, also tire racks, and cleaning storehouses and grounds.

170 - Plans, maps and surveys

A concrete culvert was designed to be built across the main road near the reservoir at Mammoth. Plans were made for spring and summer road work and selection made for foreman, cooks and other members of the road crews. Files, correspondence and other general office duties were attended to.

180 - Circulars, publicity bulletins, etc.

Eight circulars and Vol. III, No. 4 of Nature Notes were issued during the month. Copies are attached hereto.

200 - Maintenance, Improvements and New Construction

210 - Maintenance - Roads

A 4-horse grader outfit was worked about ten days, grading and shaping up the road in the vicinity of Mammoth, the Gardiner road and 4 miles out on the Tower Falls Road.

210 - Maintenance - Grounds & Stables: The foreman of this department reports 7 men and 2 teams working 17 days on the grounds and lawns at headquarters; 1 man and a team were engaged the entire month in freighting around headquarters, hauling ice, garbage, etc. Repairs were made to all harness during the month.

Plumbing Department: General repairs to water and sewer systems at headquarters were made during the month.

220 - Improvements

Buildings: Remodeling work was continued during the month on the two old commissary buildings that are being made into three sets of living quarters for members of the Chief Civil Engineer's staff. Plastering is finished in two sets of quarters and inside finishing work is about 50% completed in one set. In the third quarters all partitions are in place and lathing is 40% completed. Work was started on the central heating plant, the boiler set up and some piping placed.

The following work was done by the Master Painter and his assistants during the month: Painted and varnished living and dining room floors at Mr. Eckman's quarters, varnished hallway and all top floors and papered hallway and 4 bedrooms at Mr. Eckman's quarters; painted and varnished floor at Mr. Meyerland's quarters; papered hallway, living and dining room and painted woodwork of hallway, living and dining room, also kitchen woodwork and walls at Mr. Neumann's quarters; refitted pantry doors, filled cracks of all downstairs floors, after cleaning off old wax, and re-waxed floors at Mr. Albright's quarters; varnished woodwork of upper hallway at Mr. Burrell's quarters; put on priming coat on outside of one set of the new quarters now under construction; started work at new engineer office building; did 5½ hours work on outside of Mr. Wiggins' quarters; made six signs "Use Sidewalks" for placing on lawns at headquarters, and did miscellaneous work in shop mixing paint, etc.

Plumbing Department: Installed one 36" Ideal water tube steam boiler to heat new engineer quarters, and installed plumbing system in two of the engineer quarters.

Blacksmith Shop: The blacksmith was occupied continuously in dressing and repairing tools, caterpillars and road equipment. He also calked 32 shoes for rangers' horses, and shod 26 horses all around for road and ranger work.

Garage: Work accomplished in the garage during the month was as follows: Repairs on Mack truck #548 were completed and the following trucks were completely overhauled; telephone truck #546, plumbers' truck #545, Ford truck, Dodge touring car #14, sprinkler trucks #523, #524 and #525, Caterpillar

tractor #1 overhauled, front wheel rebuilt, radiator overhauled, track tightened and new frictions manufactured.

Electrical Department: The Chief Electrician and his assistants were engaged during the month in putting in wiring in one set of new quarters for engineers, also hung one 15 KVA transformer for engineers' quarters; moved electric supply shop to new location in Building 42, put in wiring for floor plug in Mr. Neumann's quarters, and the Chief Electrician worked as power plant operator for 10 days.

220 - Improvements - Roads:

A concrete culvert 2' x 4' x 24' was built across the main road just below the reservoir at Mammoth to care for the hot water from Jupiter Terrace. A 24-inch pipe was installed at this place 2 years ago but is now nearly filled with formation and will no longer carry the water.

240 - Improvement of Approaches to Park

Shoshone Dam - National Forest Road Project: In last month's report I mentioned the new construction work that is being done immediately west of the Shoshone Dam on the Cody approach road. The following interesting facts in reference to this project have been given to me by Mr. J. H. Langworthy, Supervisor of the Shoshone National Forest:

The new Forest Service project on the Cody road to Yellowstone Park consists of a little over one mile between the former Forest Service project which eliminated the seven turns and the Shoshone Dam. The contract called for the moving of 28,600 cubic yards, unclassified. There are 400 cubic yards of excavation in structures for walls and culverts, and 296 lineal feet of tunnel enlargement. The tunnels are to be 18 feet wide in the clear, with a curb on either side, and 16 feet high. There are 30,000 yards of overhaul, 1 mile of finishing, 1000 cubic yards cement rubble masonry, 800 linear feet corrugated pipe, 2500 yards hand placed embankment, 592 linear feet concrete curbing. Electric power is furnished by the U.S. Hydro-electric plant. The compressor used is a 10" x 10" Gardner Horizontal enclosed frame, power driven machine with a Westinghouse motor and Waugh drills. The difficulties of construction of the first 2000 feet are increased by the necessity of care in blasting at the spillway of the Shoshone Reservoir and in the vicinity of the Reclamation buildings. Head walls are to be of cement rubble and guard rails of cement rubble masonry. The figures of the estimate upon which the contract is based are too low. The job will overrun them considerably.

Federal Aid Project East of Cody: On March 31st the Wyoming State Highway Commission awarded a contract to C. W. Taggart for the entire amount of grading on Federal Aid Project No. 103A, which is the first part of the No. 103 project which reaches from Cody to Garland. Section A, which is the section to be completed at once is at this end of State Route No. 36, from Cody to Frannie, and comprises the road from the

town of Cody to approximately one thousand feet north of the old Corbett Station. The contract for the construction of the steel bridge across Sage Creek was let to Fred Smith of Thermopolis, at a figure of approximately \$16,000.

Both contracts call for the work to start on the 1st of May and give the grading contract 200 working days in which to complete their work, and the bridge work 120 days. The specifications of the state highways call for a road with a right of way approximately eighty feet wide, with a roadbed of hard surface about 24 feet.

A road of this type will be of unestimable value to this section and will eliminate one of the poorest and most traveled roads in the country.

The moneys for this project which amounts to about \$51,000 for the grading contract and \$16,000 for the bridges, making a total of \$67,000, is largely put up by the Federal Government.

North Approach Road: Work on the embankment and general cleanup of the Carbella-Corwin section of the north approach road was continued during the month by the Pioneer Construction Company.

Bids have been called for by the Bureau of Public Roads for the completion of the Carbella-Corwin road project in Yankee Jim Canyon. The bids will be opened at Missoula, May 5th. The contract will be for the completion and surfacing of the road, 9.11 miles, and the work is to be completed by November 1, 1926.

Funds amounting to \$43,000, have been appropriated for the work, and if the contract does not call for the use of the entire amount the money may be used to increase the amount of work done or in extending the length of the road involved.

The plans and specifications for the work are on file in the forestry offices in the federal building in Livingston.

South Approach Road: Word has come to me from the Jackson Hole that the new bridge over the Snake River at Menors Ferry will be completed and ready for travel during the 1926 season.

West Approach Road: Toward the end of the month of April the Pioneer Construction Company moved in crews for the work of completing the work of grading the road from Targhee Pass to West Yellowstone. Thirty thousand dollars has been allotted for the surfacing of this section during this season.

260 - Landscape Work

A number of cottonwood trees were planted in front of the officers' quarters, Information Office and other buildings of old Fort Yellowstone around headquarters. A few cottonwood trees were also planted in the automobile camp. General spring cleanup of grounds was begun shortly after the middle of the month. A great deal of improvement work was done in the automobile camp in the way of protecting trees, covering up roots that have been exposed, and building heavy guards of logs around individual trees and important groups that must be protected at all hazards from destruction by campers.

300 - Activities of Other Agencies in the Park

310 - Public Service Contractors

The Yellowstone Park Hotel Company installed a new maple floor in the lobby and lounge room of the Mammoth Hotel. New locks were placed on all room doors in the old part of this hotel.

work was started on constructing an addition to the house occupied by Mr. Nichols of the Hotel Company. The addition will contain two bath rooms, a bedroom and a sun parlor.

The Yellowstone Park Transportation Company began construction on another house for employees at their Gardiner layout. The basement was excavated and concrete foundation finished. The inside finishing was completed in their main office in the new garage building.

The Yellowstone Park Camps Company remodeled five employees' dormitories, replaced all of the canvas with lumber, and built in permanent windows, also replaced old canvas partitions with boards, doors, etc. Eight 12x20 ft. cabins and twelve 12x12 foot cabins were built in the public auto camp. These twenty cabins are all lumber with shingle roofs, made rustic as per design approved by the National Park Service, and are 90% completed. New chandeliers were installed in the Mammoth Camp lobby and dining room. Toilet and lavatories were installed in the laundry. A number of trees on the lawn in front of the main building at Mammoth were replaced, and a new lawn was built on the east side of the main building. Work of cleaning up entire premises, especially in the employees' district, was begun. At Camp Roosevelt one building, 18x36 feet, to house bath rooms, toilets, lavatories, etc., was 60% completed. Four dry toilets were converted into flush toilet buildings and necessary plumbing fixtures were installed.

313 - Schedules of Rates

On April 14th the Director approved the following rates for the operation of trucks over the Gardiner-Cooke City road:

Buses, or trucks, $1\frac{1}{2}$ - $3\frac{1}{2}$ tons capacity.....	\$40.
Buses, or trucks, $\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$ tons capacity.....	20.
Trucks of over $3\frac{1}{2}$ tons capacity, prohibited on this road.	

315 - New Contracts

Early in the month of April I completed a form of franchise authorizing Dr. G. A. Windsor to conduct the Yellowstone Park medical service for a period of ten years. This franchise was submitted to Dr. Windsor and in a subsequent conference with him we agreed on certain amendments. The final draft of the franchise was typed and taken by me to Washington where it was discussed by me with the Assistant Secretary and Director Mather.

317 - Status of Authorized Projects

See Table #2 attached.

320 - Cooperating Government Agencies

Considerable correspondence was had with the District Engineer of the Bureau of Public Roads at Denver in regard to surveys and other work to

be undertaken by the Bureau in Yellowstone Park during the coming summer. Correspondence was also had with the Public Health Service in reference to sanitary work to be accomplished before the opening of the season.

A letter was written to the State of Montana Department of Public Health requesting cooperation during the coming summer in the analysis of samples of water. Analyses of water samples have been made in the past by the Montana Department of Public Health and we expect a continuation of this aid.

330 - Cooperating Non-Governmental Agencies

Informal advice was received from Dr. H. C. Bumpus that the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Foundation has declined for the time being to consider the budget submitted for museum and educational work in several National Parks including Yellowstone.

410 - Ranger, naturalist and guide service

Chief Ranger Woodring has been busy throughout the month directing the springtime activities of the Protection Department, consisting in part of the preparing and seeding of the Gardiner hay field and an additional 5 acres along the Gardiner River at a point midway between Mammoth and Gardiner; he has also supervised arrangements for the plowing and seeding of 50 acres on a ranch near the north boundary of the park where hay will be grown for the feeding of elk, antelope and deer. Other work has consisted of the rebuilding of a foot bridge across the Gardiner River near Mammoth Hot Springs, repairs and maintenance to fences and grounds at the Buffalo Corral, the wrecking and removal of a building comprising a part of an old waterworks system in Chinaman's Gulch and the hauling of lumber and other materials for the erection of a building at the Slough Creek hay ranch. He has also made an extensive tour of the Northern Supervisory Territory to observe and report wild animal conditions and to secure moving pictures of the same.

First Assistant Chief Ranger Trischman has been engaged in patrols of the Western Supervisory Territory and in brush burning and other cleanup work at the Upper Geyser Basin.

Assistant Chief Ranger Douglas has been assisting with the work in the headquarters district, particularly in repair work at the Buffalo Corral, cleanup work at the old waterworks plant in Chinaman's Gulch, the burning of shrubbery and slough grass, and other preliminary work in connection with mosquito control.

Assistant Chief Ranger Liek has been on patrols of the southern Supervisory Territory and was absent on annual leave during the last ten days of the month.

Assistant Chief Ranger Greer has performed the work of the ranger office consisting in part of correspondence, report compilation,

mimeographing and otherwise preparing the Nature Notes publication for mailing, preparation of blank forms for use during the tourist season, editing the minutes of the Chief Park Ranger's conference, communication service with outlying stations and the other routine work of the office. He also made two trips into the Northern Supervisory Territory in connection with wild life observation and to assist with brush burning and other cleanup work.

The regular patrols have been promptly made in the various station districts and conditions are reported as excellent throughout the park. The grounds in the vicinity of all ranger stations are being cleaned, rubbish disposed of and the premises put in first class condition as rapidly as weather and snow conditions will permit. Trails in the immediate vicinity of all stations will be cleared of down timber and repaired during the course of the next few weeks.

420 - Museum Service

Work was continued on preliminary studies for oil paintings for the Museum, an essay on the bird life of Yellowstone Park, and attention given to various material in the museum store rooms; particularly the selection of skins for tanning, on suggestion and request of Chief Ranger Woodring.

A scientific article of about 1400 words was prepared and contributed to the ornithological magazine, "The Condor" and the editor's acceptance received for publication in an early issue. The article deals with defining of the terms "water-birds"; the subject matter grew out of observations on the water ouzel of Yellowstone Park.

A memorandum having been submitted to Mr. Haynes as to supplies and instruments needed for the museum work, and cooperation of Messrs. Haynes, Albright and Hill being given, the materials recommended were duly ordered and received in good condition.

Construction drawings were made for an exhibition case for oological specimens for the Museum.

A short conference on insect control work was held in the Superintendent's office early in April. Certain work along these lines was laid out for the Park Naturalist, Chief Ranger Woodring and Assistant Chief Ranger Douglas, to be done some time during June.

The Park Naturalist made several visits to Ice Lake, three miles north of Mammoth, for the purpose of studying the natural history features of the region with a view to making a tourist Nature Trail there if feasible. Much new beaver work, as well as the animals themselves, and other attractions make the idea of such a trail here look very promising.

Three written lectures, two by Dr. Conard and one by Mr. Yeager, were received by the Park Naturalist and were reviewed and numerous corrections made on points of accuracy.

Dr. Frank R. Castler of New York arrived in the park on April 23 and was accompanied on his trips around the north line by Park Naturalist Sawyer and Chief Ranger Woodring. Dr. Castler's visit was mainly for the purpose of obtaining moving pictures and still pictures of wild life subjects and scenery. He is an earnest friend of the National Parks and, aided largely by his photographic studies, is doing much to spread a knowledge of these parks and to foster public interest. A lecture given at Mammoth by Dr. Castler was well received by his audience. He left Yellowstone on May 2nd, after having secured an abundance of material - studies of antelope, elk, beaver, Mt. sheep, birds and nests, etc. He repeatedly expressed his keen enthusiasm and heartiest thanks for assistance rendered and said that the eight days of his time spent here were the best in all his wide experience in the out-of-doors. Chief Ranger Woodring also secured a considerable footage of motion pictures for park use and a number of very fine still pictures.

A report on work done during April was received from Park Ranger Lindsley, who is assisting Acting Director J. E. Haynes, in his St. Paul office, and the report as submitted is quoted below:

"The month of April was devoted largely to compilation of material to be contained in a Ranger Naturalists' Manual with a preface, index, and table of contents. A preface was written by Dr. H. S. Conard and approved by Superintendent Albright.

A list of titles for articles to be contained in the Ranger Naturalists' Manual, as suggested to date, was sent, with an explanation, to Supt. Albright, Chief Naturalist Hall, Park Naturalist Sawyer, Chief Ranger Woodring and Dr. H. S. Conard.

Twelve copies each of the following were completed for the Ranger Naturalists' Manual (in the order in which they appear):

Predatory Animals of Yellowstone National Park
The Genesis of Yellowstone National Park - Thoms
Official Census of Yellowstone Wild Animals - Chief Ranger's Office
The National Park Service - Nationally - Director Mather
The National Park Service - in Yellowstone - Supt. Albright
The Responsibilities of Governments for Recreation - Merriam
Table of Boiling Points of Pure Water, etc. - Geophysical Laboratory
Morning Lecture at Old Faithful Formations - Landsdowne
Precise Elevations - Table - 1923 U.S.G.S.
Surface Temperatures - Table - 1925 Geophysical Laboratory

Letters were sent for the second time to ex-rangers Ross, Byrnes, Alexander and Robertson for their lectures.

Three lectures were received from Dr. Conard, one from Dorr Yeager, two from James D. Landsdowne, a story of the 'Deposition of Geyserite and Travertine in Yellowstone National Park' by Mr. Haynes, and an official census of the wild animals from the Chief Ranger. All are in the process of being prepared for the Ranger Naturalists' Manual.

Dr. Thos. S. Roberts of the Department of Animal Biology of the University of Minnesota was interviewed concerning the plural forms of animals' names, the names used to designate the males, females and young, and an article on the antlers and other horns of Yellowstone National Park. He suggested sending tentative lists to Drs. Grinnell and Hornaday for their corrections. This was done. This material also is to be contained in the Ranger Naturalists' Manual.

The original story on the Algae of Yellowstone Park was held up and Professor Setchell of the University of California asked to furnish an article in its place, covering algae and other organisms found in the park thermal waters.

Dr. Merriam was asked for a story on 'The Relative International Importance of Thermal Activity in Yellowstone National Park' for the Ranger Naturalists' Manual.

The complete file of Nature Notes was requested for the purpose of abstracting it for use in the Manual.

Trail Maps of the Old Faithful and Mammoth districts were corrected and returned to Supt. Albright.

The Eaton Brothers were written about procuring an outfit of Howard Eaton's for the Museum, to be put on display.

Twenty minute lectures were given on the 15th before a men's luncheon club and on the 30th before a women's club on 'The National Park Service.'

Corrected figures in Haynes' Guide, checking them with the latest data on temperatures, altitudes, etc.

The subject of the plural of the word '(water) fall' was brought up and referred to Supt. Albright.

A general correspondence was kept up concerning all things of importance to the Museum and Information Office interests."

430 - zoo

Care of captive animals was continued and advantage taken of the daily trips to Burralo Corral, thus necessitated, to note wild life and other

natural conditions about Mammoth.

The captive bears "Juno" and "Pard" made their escape from their enclosure, apparently taking advantage of a drift of snow or the roof of their den (which had been built unnecessarily high). One of the bears was later caught again and, tho escaping a second time, has been reported as seen repeatedly about the buildings in Mammoth.

With much regret is reported the loss of all the birds from the Flying Cage. A bear one night broke into the cage thru the wire siding and the birds had all escaped when, on visiting the cage the following day, the break in the side of cage was discovered. The bear was thought to be the same one which broke into the Buffalo Jones museum and has been a source of annoyance about Mammoth Camp lately. Later a bear, supposed to be this individual, was shot by Chief Ranger Woodring.

470 - Animals

All the snow has disappeared from the lower elevations and there is observed to be a large surplus of last year's forage crop. Fresh grasses are growing profusely on the 6000 feet level and it is rapidly extending to the higher elevations.

Elk: The general tendency of the elk late in March was to follow the receding snow to the higher elevations but most of these bands have since moved down to the new forage growth along the Yellowstone. They are now concentrated in large numbers in the Hellroaring and Tower Falls Districts, and along the slopes of Mt. Norris, Specimen Ridge and Blacktail Deer Creek. They are present in the usual numbers on the slopes of Mounts Everts and Sepulchre and in increasing numbers along the meadows of the Upper Park. The main body of the Gallatin herd is near the head of Daly Creek although there has been a moderate drift up the Gallatin River to points within the park. It has been found impracticable to secure accurate counts of the elk this spring on account of the ease with which they can elude the most careful observer as they are vigorous, active, have the run of the entire country and have nothing to obstruct their movements in any direction. No losses were observed during the month. There is every indication of a splendid calf crop this year. The tick infestation is troublesome as usual and some losses are said to have occurred in the National Forest areas adjoining the park, particularly in Wyoming. Our winter season losses from all causes have been slight.

Deer: There is nothing to add to the counts on deer submitted last month. They are present in the usual numbers at points indicated in previous reports but they are not quite as well conditioned as the elk. A loss of two occurred in the Mammoth District during the month - one, a diseased buck, was killed by the Chief Ranger, and a fawn was killed at Mammoth Camp by a bear, making a total loss this season to date, from all causes, of 79. A normal increase is expected this year.

Antelope: The condition of the antelope herd is exceptionally good. They have been widely scattered over their entire summer range throughout the month. Latest counts indicate 10 on Mt. Norris, 16 at Buffalo Ranch and 50 along the highway between Tower Falls Station and the Lamar River Canyon. Numerous small bands have been recently observed on Specimen Ridge, Hellroaring Slope, Cottonwood Basin and along Blacktail Deer Creek. No losses have been observed during the month.

Moose: There is nothing to add to the moose counts of preceding months and nothing of interest to report except the death of a bull in the Snake River district, at a point 7 miles east of Snake River Station, probably an old bull killed by predatory animals. This loss, together with 3 previously resulting from natural causes, makes a total loss of 4 this season to date within the park. The unlawful killing of six by hunters in the Idaho country has been made a matter of record in the December 1925 report.

Sheep: There is nothing to add to the sheep counts of preceding months. Their condition is excellent and they are commonly seen at all points indicated in previous reports.

Buffalo - Lamar River Herd: This herd is principally scattered in small bands along the highway from Tower Falls to Buffalo Ranch, particularly on the slopes and meadows between the Yellowstone and Lamar River bridges. The annual increase is now in progress and 8 calves have arrived to date.

Buffalo - Cold-Creek-Pelican Flats Herd: There is nothing of interest to report at this time.

Bears: Bears of the black and brown variety are numerous throughout the park, particularly at Mammoth, Norris, Old Faithful, Lake, Canyon and Tower Falls; there has been very few appearances, however, of mothers with cubs. The only predatory activities thus far reported consist of one yearling deer killed at Mammoth Camp. There has been no appearance of grizzlies to date but signs have been observed at several points. It became necessary to kill a large brown bear at Mammoth that appeared early in the season and quickly developed dangerous tendencies. He became a dangerous nuisance by reason of his nightly visits to the various residences and he charged several persons who attempted to scare him away. His activities were terminated on the night of April 27th when he charged the Chief Ranger and was promptly killed. The skin was immediately removed from the carcass, with the view of providing an attractive mount for the museum, and the remains destroyed.

Predatory Animals: There is nothing of interest to report on predatory animals this month except that 5 coyotes were killed, which, together with 238 previously reported, makes a total this season to date

of 243, as compared with 172 to May 1st of last year and 221 to the same date of the year preceding. Predatory animal control has been remarkably effective during the past winter season and the only loss of game animals reported as chargeable to predatory animal activities consists of 2 antelope, 6 deer and 1 moose.

Water Fowl: Water fowl are abundant on all the lakes and streams of the park, particularly ducks and geese. One swan, 4 sand hill cranes and several herons have been recently observed in the Bechler River District.

Buffalo and other Ranch Operations: The work at the Buffalo Ranch has consisted in part of brush burning, ditch cleaning, the building and placing of new headgates and general repairs and maintenance to buildings and grounds. Some road work was done on bridges and culverts and 40 acres of hay land was irrigated during the last few days of the month. The spring cleanup work is 6 weeks in advance of last year.

There has been no activities of consequence at the Yencoy Ranch during the month. The horse herd was removed to Gardiner on the 11th. 6.48 tons of hay was fed from the 1st to the 11th, leaving a balance now on hand of 22 tons.

The only activities at the Slough Creek Ranch have consisted of the hauling and delivery of lumber and other materials preliminary to the erection of a stable and bunk house at this point.

Forty-three acres at the Gardiner Ranch have been prepared and seeded to oats and alfalfa, all ditches have been cleaned and some irrigating has been done. Lack of moisture made it necessary to irrigate the land recently seeded. Six tons of hay were fed to the Park Service and ranger horses at the Gardiner Ranch during the month, leaving a balance of 114 tons.

480 - Natural Phenomena

Some very interesting observations by one of the rangers will be found under "Geyser Notes" in the Nature Notes attached hereto.

On Sunday, April 18th, I made another thorough inspection of the hot springs terraces and other phenomena in this vicinity. I did not see any changes from conditions reported in our March report except diminished flow of water on Angel Terrace. It appears likely that this terrace may dry up before the opening of the season and if it does it will be a great disappointment to me because for some time its volume of water has seemed to be increasing and it has been flowing over a part of the terrace that is particularly prominent and unusually beautiful when covered with colored algae.

490 - Miscellaneous:

The ice broke up in Yellowstone Lake on May 2nd as compared with May 26th last year.

The first work crew of the season to proceed to the upper park left headquarters station for Canyon on May 3rd. They went through without difficulty and very little snow shoveling was required.

The west entrance approach road between Ashton and West Yellowstone was opened to auto travel on May 1st, as compared with May 16th last year. The first auto arrived at Sylvan Pass station on April 21st and a car proceeded to a point two miles within the park on May 2nd.

The south entrance approach road was opened to travel between Snake River station and Jackson, Wyoming, on May 1st, and a car made excellent time between these points. The road is reported to be in good condition.

Cooke City, Mont., became accessible to autos on April 30th but travel will be restricted until the road is thoroughly dry. The first auto travel over the highway between West Yellowstone and Gallatin Ranger Station occurred on May 6th.

510 - Increase or Decrease in Travel

All park travel during the month was via the North entrance. It consisted of visitors to park headquarters or to points along the highway between Mammoth Hot Springs and Cooke City, Mont. The total reported travel for the month was 237 visitors traveling in 60 cars, which, together with 610 visitors previously reported, makes a total of 827 pre-season visitors to date as compared with 1181 to May 1st of last year.

520 - Snow Depths: Snow depths throughout the park at the close of the month are indicated as follows, with comparative figures for April 30th of last year:

<u>Station</u>	<u>1925 (Inches)</u>	<u>1926 (Inches)</u>
Lake	29	Drifts only
Snake River	30	" "
Sylvan Pass	16	" "
Riverside	Drifts only	" "
Gallatin	15	" "
Slough Creek, Upper Ranch	6	" "
Slough Creek, Lower Ranch	Drifts only	No snow
Canyon	30	8
Bechler River	42	Drifts only
Cooke City Station	24	" "
Old Faithful	Drifts only	" "

Snow depths in Sylvan Pass are far below the usual depths of preceding seasons. The greatest depth in the pass at this time is approximately 16 feet. The usual maximum depth at this season of the year is 30 feet. Similar conditions prevail on the Continental Divide between Old Faithful and Yellowstone Lake, and on the Divide between Yellowstone Lake and Snake River Station. Snow depths are also considerably below normal in Dunraven Pass. Snow depths are rapidly diminishing on all the higher elevations and flood water conditions in all the streams are fully a month in advance of last year.

520 - General Weather Conditions

521 - In the Park

The first week was generally stormy and cold, while the remainder of the month was warm and almost rainless.

Temperature: Monthly mean, 40.6° , is 3.6° above normal. The moderately cold weather of the first eight days was followed by continuously warm and pleasant weather thereafter, resulting in the warmest April in the past 11 years. The highest was 73° on the 29th; lowest 2° on the 1st.

Precipitation: Total 1.38 inches, just equals the normal, and practically all occurred as snow during the first week.

Snowfall: Total 14.5 inches; normal 8.1 inches. The greatest depth on the ground was 7.0 inches on the 6th, which had disappeared by the 9th.

Wind: Average hourly velocity 5.9 miles; normal 8.1. This is the lightest wind movement of record for April, and with one exception the lowest for any month since the record began in 1903. The maximum velocity was 27 miles per hour from the west on the 30th.

Sunshine: Percentage of possible 68; normal 57. A higher percentage for April has been recorded but twice in the past 23 years. Number of days clear 11, partly cloudy 14, cloudy 5, and with precipitation 8.

530 - General Road Conditions

See 000-General.

540 - visitors

As noted under 125, Mr. J. G. Teicher, District Secretary of the 13th Civil Service District, Denver, Colo., arrived in Yellowstone

on April 11th and left on the 12th.

Dr. Frank R. Castler, of New York, arrived on April 23 and left on May 2nd. An account of his visit is given in another part of this report.

620 - Fire Protection

On April 16th a fire alarm for trial purposes was suddenly turned in. It was well responded to by all residents of headquarters. However, one important defect in our fire alarm was noted, namely, the failure of the siren to satisfactorily record the code signals. It appears that this is a defect that cannot be corrected without acquisition of additional equipment, and this office is now proceeding with an investigation as to the most practicable device to be installed.

640 - Destruction of Predatory Animals

A total of 5 coyotes were killed during the month.

900 - Hospital and Medical Service

Dr. L. J. Stauffer reports 18 house calls and 8 office calls during the month of April.

Church Services: A community Easter service was held in the Chapel the evening of April 4th, with sermon by Rev. Wm. Friend Day, Episcopal minister from Bozeman, Mont.

Service was held by Episcopal Bishop, Rt. Rev. Herbert H. H. Fox Sunday morning, April 11th.

Service was held by Rev. S. R. McCarthy, Congregational minister from Livingston, Mont., Sunday evening, April 25th.

Methodist services were held by Rev. Otto G. Penath, of Pine Creek, near Livingston, Mont., Wednesday evenings, April 14th and 28th.

Isaak Walton League: The Yellowstone Park Chapter of the Isaak Walton League held regular business meetings on April 13th and 27th. Following the meeting of April 13th, as a source of entertainment to members and their friends moving pictures were shown taken in the park by Mr. Geo. D. Pratt, some by the Yellowstone Park Film Company of Gardiner, Mont., and slides which are being adopted as a part of the educational features connected with the park museum work. Following the business meeting of April 27th, the entertainment consisted of a lecture with splendidly executed colored slides, by Dr. Frank Castler of New York, who is also interested in the development of the educational features of the National Parks, and was at that time visiting the park for the purpose of securing game pictures.

900 - Superintendent's Washington Trip

I was ordered to Washington on April 17th and left the park on April 19th. I arrived in Washington at 9 o'clock April 22nd. On Saturday, April 24th, with Director Mather, I appeared before the Public Lands Committee of the House of Representatives in opposition to a proposed amendment by Congressman Addison T. Smith of Idaho to our general Yellowstone boundary adjustment Bill H.R. 9917 proposing the elimination of a part of the Bechler River Basin from Yellowstone Park in order that an irrigation reservoir may be built therein. Other witnesses included ex-U.S. Senator Fred T. Dubois, Robert S. Yard, Secretary of the National Parks Association, Miss Harlean H. James of the American Civic Association, and a representative of the General Federation of Women's Clubs. On April 27th with Director Mather I appeared before the Senate Committee on Public Lands & Surveys in behalf of Senator Stanfield's Bill S3427 providing for the adjustment of Yellowstone Park boundary lines. A general description of the project was made by the Director, and I followed with details of the plan, and arguments that have been presented for and against the project.

On April 29th I was again called before the Senate Committee and on that day Senator Gooding of Idaho and Congressman Addison T. Smith presented their Bechler River Basin amendment and made arguments in behalf of this proposal to eliminate the Bechler Basin from the Park. On this date I testified in rebuttal of their arguments for 15 minutes only. The following morning, April 30th, I was called before the Committee at 10:30 and was again examined by members of the Committee until 12 noon when the hearings were adjourned. This hearing was devoted to a discussion of the Gooding-Smith amendment.

I was in New York on April 28th conferring with men interested in the conservation of the northern herd of elk through the purchase of lands north of the park, and that night attended the spring banquet of the Boone & Crockett Club, which was addressed by Messrs. Kermit and Theodore Roosevelt on their trip to the mountains of western Asia in quest of the Ovis Poli. I transacted much other business in Washington in regard to Yellowstone Park and on the evening of April 30th left Washington to return to the park. I arrived here Monday, May 3rd.

Cordially yours,

HORACE M. ALBRIGHT
Superintendent.

The Director,
National Park Service,
Dept. of the Interior,
Washington, D.C.

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STATUS OF AUTHORIZED PROJECTS

National Park for the Month of

YELLOWSTONE

APRIL, 1926.

Description of Projects	Percent Constructed To Date	Percent Constructed This Month	Percent Constructed Last Month	Probable Date of Completion
Project #3 - Reconstruction of Shore Road (12.4) mi. Clearing and grubbing grading and finishing	100% 85%	None	None	June 20, 1926
Project #6 - Reconstruction Faithful Road (1.5) mi. grading and finishing	100%	0	0	
Project #7 - Reconstruction at Buff Point (1 mi.) grading and finishing	100%	0	0	
Project #9 - Unit #1 - Recon- struction Tower Falls-Mammoth Road (2.25 mi.) grading and finishing Graveling, 1-1/4 miles	100%	0	0	
Expiration Point Road (2 mi.) Clearing and grubbing grading and finishing	65% 0	0 0	0 0	Aug. 1, 1926

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STATUS OF PERSONNEL

..... National Park for the Month of **APRIL, 1926**
YELLOWSTONE

	This Month	This Month Last Year
Number of employees beginning of month,	66	63
Number of additions,		
Total,	66	63
Number of separations,		
Number of employees close of month,	66	63
Number of promotions during month		
Aggregate amount of annual leave taken,	146 1/2	234 1/2
Aggregate amount of sick leave taken,	—	36
Aggregate amount of leave without pay,	30	30

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REPORT OF PARK REVENUES

Yellowstone National Park for the Month of April 1926

	This Year	Last Year
Park revenue on hand beginning of month,	None	
Received,	\$ 277.97	8.11
Total,	\$ 277.97	8.11
Remitted,	\$ 277.97	8.11
On hand close of month,	None	None
Park revenues received this year to date,	\$ 342,800.32	
Park revenues received last year to date,	<u>325,843.66</u>	
Increase,	<u>16,956.66</u>	
Percent of increase,		.5

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REPORT OF TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH BUSINESS

Yellowstone National Park for the Month of April 1926

	This Month	This Month Last Year	Increase	Percent Increase
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LOCAL BUSINESS

Lines of circuit maintained,	363	351	12	.034
No. of telephones connected,	133	124	9	.072
No. of measured service calls,				
No. of other local calls,				
Total No. of local calls,	6554	4106	2448	60
Peak load in calls per day,	274	220	54	25

Receipts from measured service calls, . . .	
" " coin boxes,	
" " telephone rental,	

TOTAL RECEIPTS

LONG DISTANCE BUSINESS

No. Outbound calls,	99	75	24	32
No. Inbound calls,	126	160	34-	27-

TOTAL LONG DISTANCE CALLS

Peak load in calls per day,	18	20	2-	11-
Receipts from Long Distance business, . . .	35.23	58.91	-23.68	-4

All of this revenue accrues to the Mountain States Telephone Company.)

TELEGRAPH BUSINESS

Messages via Western Union,	
Messages via	

TOTAL MESSAGES

Receipts from telegraph business,	
No. of money transfer messages,	
" " " " receipts,	

TOTAL RECEIPTS TELEPHONE & TELEGRAPH DEPTS-

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*ELECTRICITY GENERATED, SOLD, USED, ETC.

~~YELLOWSTONE~~ National Park for the Month of ~~APRIL 1926~~

	This Month	This Travel Year To Date	This Month Last Year	Last Travel Year To Date	Increase for Travel Year	
					Number	Percent
Current generated,	43270.	565480.0	41060.	514130.0	51350.	9
Sold to park operators,	559.3	75564.6	1715.	84206.57	-8641.97	-10
Sold to others,						
Furnished to other Governmental agencies,						
Used by National Park Service, lost in transit, etc.,	42710.7	489915.4	39345.	429923.43	59991.97	10
Total current generated, . . .	43270.0	565480.0	41060.	514130.0	51350.0	9

Amount receivable from the sale of electricity, \$ ~~27.97~~

Indicated by K. W. H.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK
Yellowstone Park, Wyo.

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

April 15th 1926.

CIRCULAR NUMBER 3.

TO ALL PARK RANGERS:

In the future rangers will not serve meals to any park employees except rangers. Statements submitted containing the names of any persons not under the above designation will not be paid.

There are road camps in the vicinity of each station, and all truck drivers or other Government employees will be directed to these for their meals.

In case of emergency meals may be served to others, but not until a statement of the conditions is given to the Chief Ranger's Office and permission secured.

SIGNED.

HORACE M. ALBRIGHT,
Superintendent.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK
Yellowstone Park, Wyo.

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

April 15th 1926.

CIRCULAR NUMBER 4.

To All Park Rangers:

During the present season the charge at stations for meals served to motorcycle rangers while on duty in the park will be three meals for one dollar.

Motorcycle men will settle for their meals at all park stations within their own districts, and no accounts for meals served to members of the motorcycle squad will be submitted to this office for collection.

The only exception to this rule will be when members of this squad are ordered from their district on official business, when upon presentation of the proper travel order they will be furnished meals and allowed to sign for the same.

Such accounts will be paid by this office at the regular rate of fifty cents per meal. However, this will not be done unless the travel order is presented.

SIGNED. HORACE M. ALBRIGHT,
Superintendent.

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Yellowstone Park, Wyo.

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

April 15th 1926.

CIRCULAR NUMBER 5.

TO ALL PARK RANGERS:

Your attention is specifically called to paragraph No. 24 of the manual for Park Rangers which reads as follows:-

"Absence from station on personal affairs.

When a ranger wishes permission to visit other parts of the park he must receive the permission of the ranger in charge of the station who will in turn telephone to the Chief Ranger's Office for its approval. If advisable the Chief Ranger's Office will grant approval. The matter will only be taken to the Superintendent after consideration by the Chief Ranger's Office".

Also section 39 of the manual for Park Rangers, paragraph B directs that men will retire at night not later than 11:00 P. M., except in the case of night guard. The ranger in charge can give permission for men to retire later than the above hour if there is reason for such action" and paragraph D provides that "Dancing at Hotels and Permanent Camps will not be permitted oftener than two nights a week except when the so called formation dances are held.

This regulation must be strictly observed at all times.

SIGNED HORACE H. ALBRIGHT,
Superintendent.

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Yellowstone Park, Wyo.

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

April 16th 1926.

CIRCULAR NUMBER 6.

TO ALL PARK RANGERS:

No ranger will be allowed to travel outside his own station district and visit other sections of the park, on either official or unofficial business without a regulation travel order. No such order will be issued except by authority of the Chief Ranger's Office.

Travel orders are issued to each station and are numbered consecutively. When a man is going to travel from one station to another in the park permission will be secured from the Chief Ranger's Office and if such permission is granted the station chief will issue the required travel order and will indicate whether the trip is official or unofficial.

Before serving meals to rangers aside from their own station force men in charge will require that this travel order be presented. If the trip is official the man will be allowed to sign for his meals, and the account will be settled by this office. If the trip is for unofficial purposes the ranger will be required to pay cash for meals.

This office will not make collections for meals served to men on unofficial status.

As soon as the trip is completed the travel order will be returned to the station chief, who will send it to the Chief Ranger's Office. He will also indicate the time of the beginning and the ending of the trip, and the reason therefor.

The ranger in charge will be held responsible for the return of such orders to the office, and will impress upon the minds of the men under his charge the importance of turning in these orders at the end of any trip.

The Chief Ranger and assistants chief ranger are exempt from the above regulations.

SIGNED. HORACE M. ALBRIGHT,
Superintendent.

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Yellowstone Park, Wyo.

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April 16th 1926.

CIRCULAR NUMBER 7.

TO ALL PARK RANGERS:

The attention of all rangers is called to paragraph 41 of the Manual of Park Rangers:-

"Unusual Events:- Special Reports. Unusual occurrences such as accidents, deaths, changes in natural phenomena, etc., will be reported at once to the Chief Rangers Office by phone. This should be followed by a detailed written report of the same. This is an important duty in connection with the ranger work. It is necessary that a complete record be kept of all events of this kind, and especially in the case of accidents and death. When rangers hear of accidents or deaths they will proceed at once to the scene of the same, and gather full details as to the names, addresses, causes or any other essential information regarding the event, and make a written report of the same to the Chief Ranger's Office.

Statements of the witnesses of the event are especially valuable and should be taken at once in writing."

During the past seasons there have been several accidents in the park that have not been reported by rangers, and the office has had to rely on outside sources for data. It should be kept in mind that no accident is so small that it may not cause complications later and should consequently be reported at once. The telephone report is desired only in order that we may keep in touch with events in the park, but the written report of the ranger or rangers who make the investigation is necessary for record purposes. In case of an accident rangers should never rely on second hand information, but should talk to the people concerned in person.

In addition to the cause, time and place of events resulting in personal injuries or death the name of the attending physician is absolutely necessary, and all these facts will be reported in writing.

In future all rangers will see that paragraph 41 quoted above is complied with in every detail.

SIGNED

HORACE M. ALBRIGHT

Superintendent.

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Yellowstone Park, Wyo.

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

April 16th 1926

CIRCULAR NUMBER 8.

TO ALL PARK RANGERS IN CHARGE OF ENTRANCE STATIONS.

You will be governed by the following considerations in the issuance of Complimentary Automobile Permits:-

All United States Senators, Congressmen, and Governors of States when entering the park in conveyances requiring the issuance of a permit will, upon being identified, be issued a complimentary permit without inquiry as to the purpose of their visit.

Except as above noted complimentary permits will be issued only upon request and upon the declaration that the applicant is traveling in an official capacity on official business.

Full data as to name, address, official position, make of car, state, license number, and number of passengers will be entered on the permit.

Members of the Forest Service, representatives of the U. S. Geological Survey, Bureau of Mines, Department of Justice, Public Health Service, and other Government Agencies whose activities are related to the objects and purposes of the National Park Service are eligible for Complimentary Permits on the conditions above stated, also the state officials of Montana, Wyoming, and Idaho, and law enforcement officials of the Counties adjoining the park will be eligible for complimentary permits subject to the conditions noted in paragraph three.

Complimentary Permits will not be issued to Officers of the Army and Navy or State and Government Officials except as above indicated.

Applicants for Complimentary Permits may be sufficiently identified by letters of introduction, business letterheads, business cards, lodge receipts, railroad passes, or any official or unofficial paper that will indicate identity.

When in doubt as to whether or not an applicant is entitled to a permit under the conditions noted herein the Chief Ranger's Office should be consulted. The Superintendent will not concern himself with Complimentary Permits except when brought to his attention through the Chief Ranger's Office.

SIGNED.

HORACE M. ALBRIGHT,

Superintendent.

Department of the Interior
National Park Service
Yellowstone National Park
Yellowstone Park, Wyoming.

April 19, 1926.

CIRCULAR NO. 9.

The following assignment of quarters is hereby made, effective as soon as the quarters are ready for use:

RESIDENT ENGINEER MERRILL F. DAUM, north half of duplex quarters just being finished.

ENGINEER WARD P. WEBBER, south half of duplex quarters just being finished.

CHIEF CLERK EARL H. BROWN, south half of second set of duplex quarters now under construction.

ASSISTANT ENGINEER C. A. LORD, when appointed, to quarters now occupied by Engineer W. P. Webber - formerly the carpenter's quarters.

ASSISTANT PLUMBER A. B. NOTCHENBACH may temporarily occupy the quarters recently vacated by R. J. McDonald.

HORACE M. ALBRIGHT
Superintendent

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Copy to: Mr. Daum.
Mr. Webber
Mr. Brown
Mr. Lord
Mr. Notchenbach
Mr. Burrell
Mr. Burney
Mr. Eckman

Department of the Interior
National Park Service,
Yellowstone National Park
Yellowstone Park, Wyoming.

April 19, 1926.

CIRCULAR NO. 10.

In view of the removal of Dr. H. A. Strickland to Livingston, Engineer Ward C. Hobbs is hereby appointed chairman of the Yellowstone Park School Board.

Mr. H. J. McDonald, a member of the School Board has stated to me that at the end of the present school term he would be glad to be relieved of duties on the Board. This relief will be granted and Mrs. G. A. Brant is hereby appointed a member of the Board in Mr. McDonald's place, appointment to be effective June 1, 1926.

HORACE H. ALBRIGHT
Superintendent

Copies to: Mr. Hobbs
Mrs. Albright
Mr. McDonald
Mrs. Brant
Mrs. Green

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